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Examiner

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 9/4/07.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-4,7-11,16-18 and 20.
3. ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
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- (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
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- ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08), Paper No./Mail Date _____
- ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material
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- ☒ Interview Summary (PTO-413), Paper No./Mail Date _____
- ☐ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
- ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
- ☐ Other _____


SHELLY CHASE
PRIMARY EXAMINER

DETAILED ACTION

In response to the interview on 10/10/2007, this supplemental action identifies claim 17 as being included within the claims being allowed and also includes page 4, which was not mailed to the applicant within the prior notice of allowance mailed 9/4/07.

Priority

Acknowledgment is made that foreign priority is claimed for this application and as such the date, 3/17/2003, is being used for this examination.

Drawings

Acknowledgment is made that the figures are accepted at this time since no further issues are found at this time that would require an objection and/or correction.

Allowable Subject Matter

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Claims 1-4, 7-11, 16-18, and 20 are allowable.

The present invention pertains to selectively providing output signals in a test mode and normal mode, wherein in the test mode that output signals are provided in a reduced output pin requirement configuration. The claims invention recites features such as: "a plurality of data output pins divided in at least two groups of data output pins; a data processing circuit to generate output signals responsive to an input signal; and an output selection circuit with at least a normal mode and a test mode; where a first group of output signals are provided to a first group of data output pins during a first test cycle of the test mode; where a second group of output signals are provided to the first group of data output pins during a second test cycle of the test mode; and where

during the normal mode: the first group of output signals are provided to the corresponding data output pins of the first group of data output pins; and the second group of output signals are provided to the corresponding data output pins of a second group of data output pins."

None of the prior art, either taken by itself or in any combination with any other prior art(s), would have anticipated or made obvious the following combination of limitations within the above limitations at or before the time the invention within this application was filed: "a plurality of data output pins divided in at least two groups of data output pins; a data processing circuit to generate output signals responsive to an input signal; and an output selection circuit with at least a normal mode and a test mode; where a first group of output signals are provided to a first group of data output pins during a first test cycle of the test mode; where a second group of output signals are provided to the first group of data output pins during a second test cycle of the test mode; and where during the normal mode: the first group of output signals are provided to the corresponding data output pins of the first group of data output pins; and the second group of output signals are provided to the corresponding data output pins of a second group of data output pins."

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

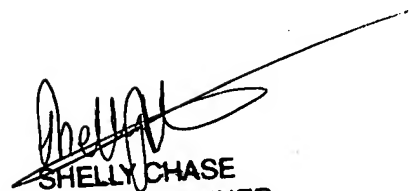
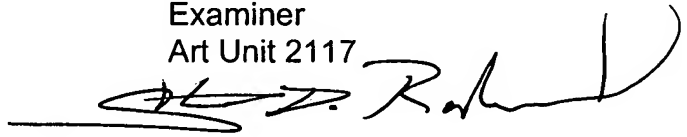
Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Steven D. Radosevich whose telephone number is 571-272-2745. The examiner can normally be reached on 9am-5:30pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Jacques H. Louis can be reached on 571-272-6962. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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